## STATE OF IDAHO DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES

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April 9, 2018

Robert Hennefer P.O. Box 7 Carey, Idaho 83320

Mr. Hennefer:

We are writing regarding the section of Silver Creek that passes through your property at 19485 Highway 26/93. In general, we are concerned about the breaks in the banks of the creek throughout that region, but in your case, we are concerned specifically about the break at the very Southwest corner of your property.

Through extensive research, we have found no water right in your name for use of water in that area. If you are receiving benefit from the water that is escaping the channel, you are doing so illegally without approval from the State of Idaho. The water escaping from the channel is meant to be delivered to senior users downstream who have already made a call on junior ground water users in the upper basin. Both Senior and Junior users are making a concerted effort to insure water in the basin is being delivered to its rightful owners. Repairing the banks of Silver Creek is a part of that process. We are writing to inform you that steps will be taken soon to rectify the issue of water escaping the channel throughout the area.

From your conversations with Kevin Lakey the Watermaster of Water District 37, we are aware of your concerns to protect the local wetland. We want to insure you that local water users are and will continue to work with local conservation groups, engineers and government authorities to insure the process of repairing the banks is done correctly. Through the process, water users will be obtaining all proper permits and approval before starting any work. In the process of this work, you may be contacted by local authorities.

Water District 37 Watermaster

If you have further questions, you can contact the Water District office at the above number.

Respectfully,

Water District 37 Advisory Board

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Cc: Tim Luke, Idaho Department of Water Resources